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TWINKLE



HIS HONOR
THE MAYOR



FIFTY FUNNY
RIDDLES
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BE A DETECTIVE AND

GUESS MY NAME

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MY TREE HOUSE GROWS
GOOD THINGS TO EAT.
I PICK THEM WITH
MY HANDS AND FEET.



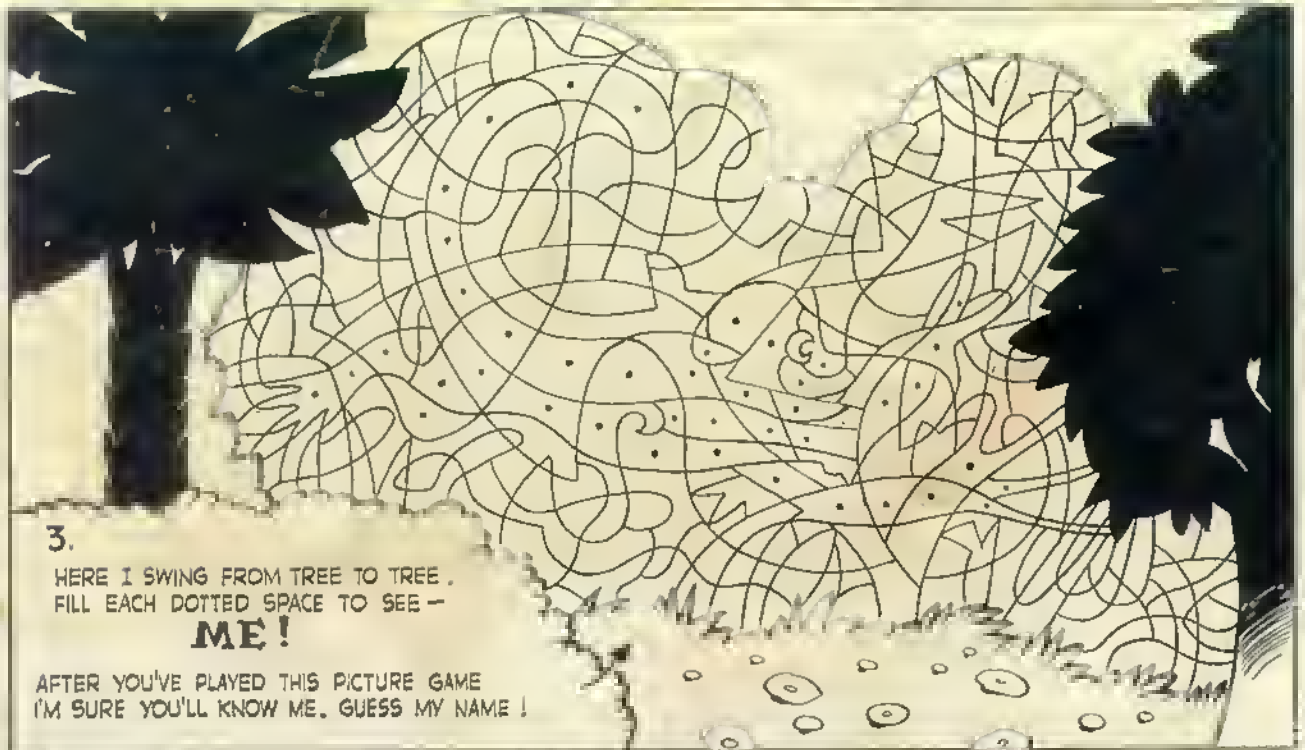
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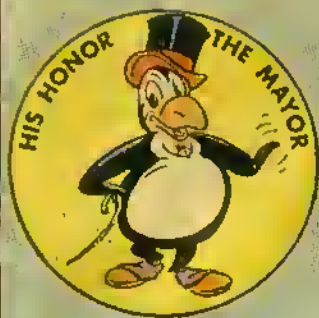


3.

HERE I SWING FROM TREE TO TREE.
FILL EACH DOTTED SPACE TO SEE —
ME!

AFTER YOU'VE PLAYED THIS PICTURE GAME
I'M SURE YOU'LL KNOW ME. GUESS MY NAME!

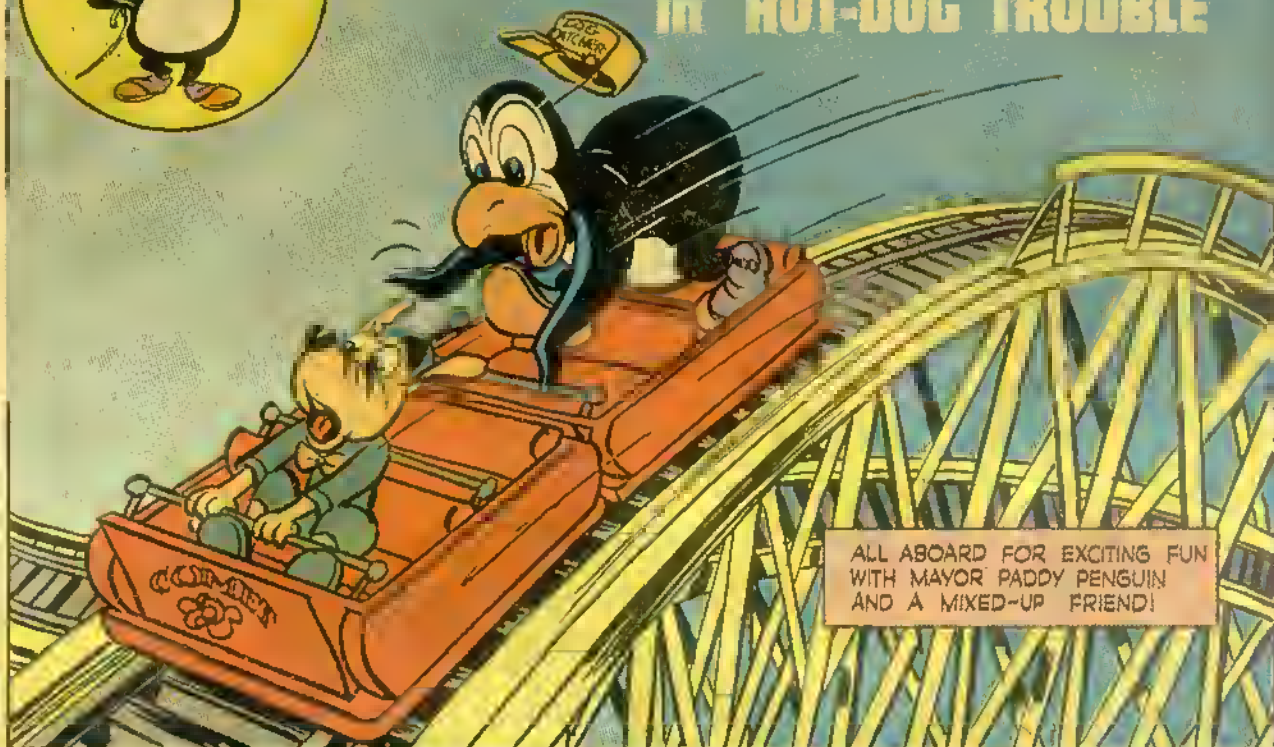




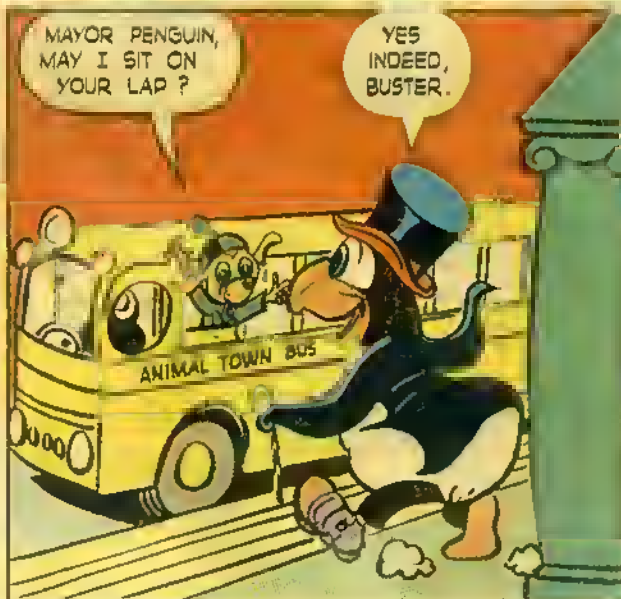
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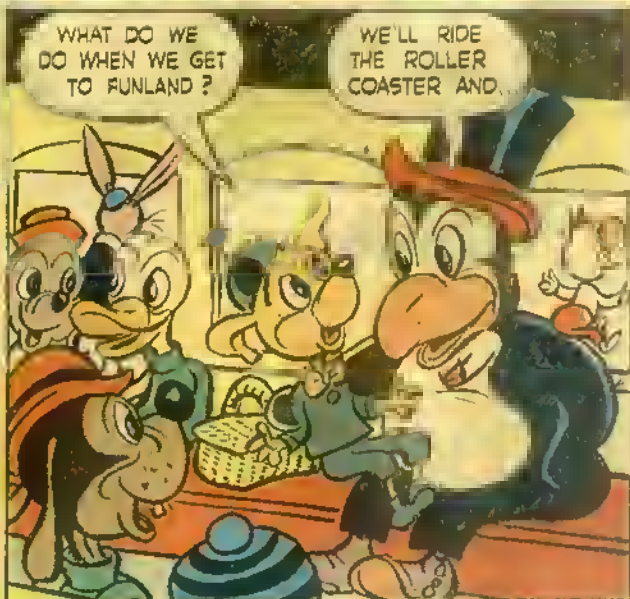


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MAYOR PENGUIN,
MAY I SIT ON
YOUR LAP?

YES
INDEED,
BUSTER.



WHAT DO WE
DO WHEN WE GET
TO FUNLAND?

WE'LL RIDE
THE ROLLER
COASTER AND...

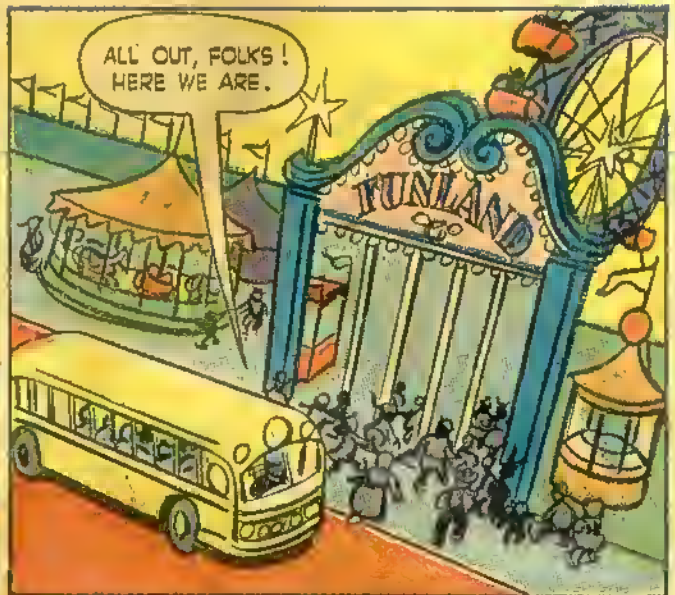
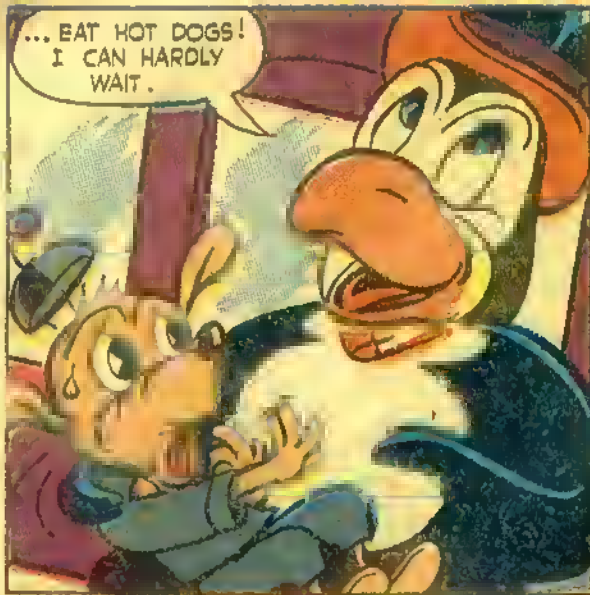
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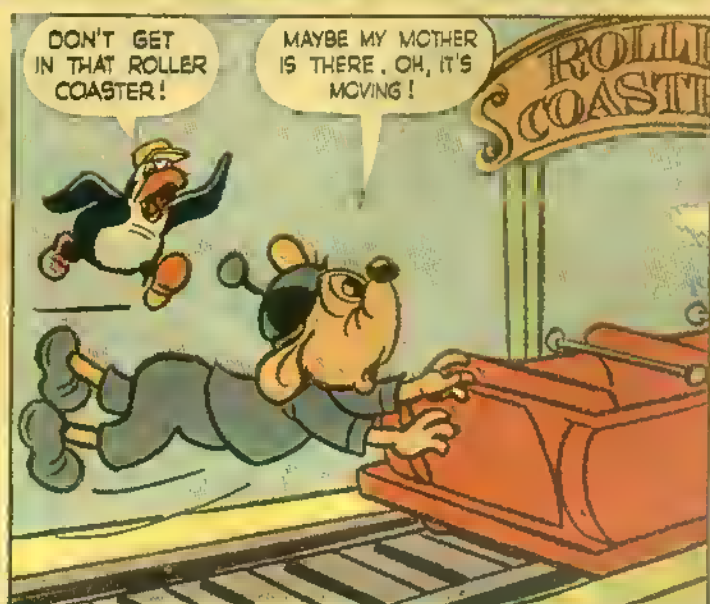
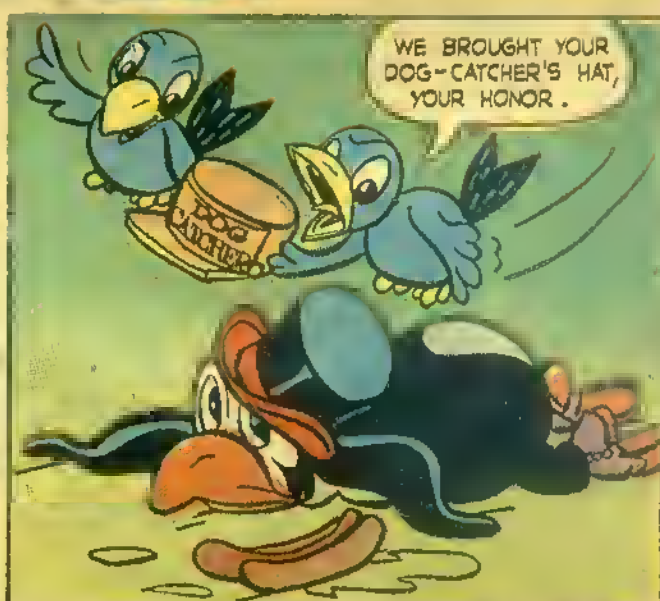
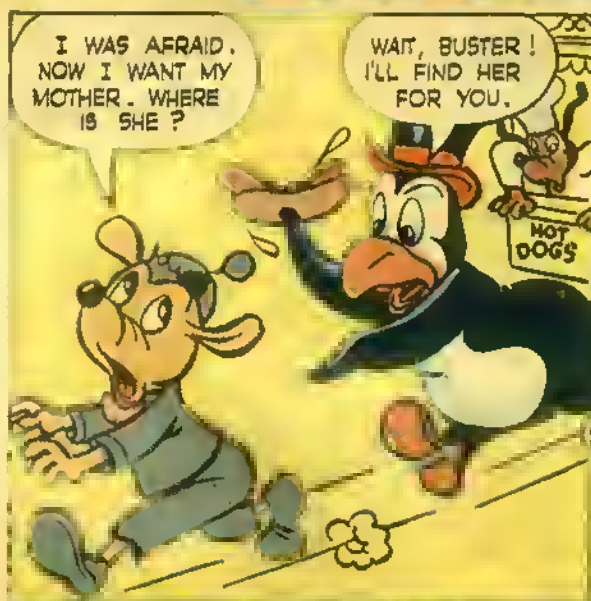
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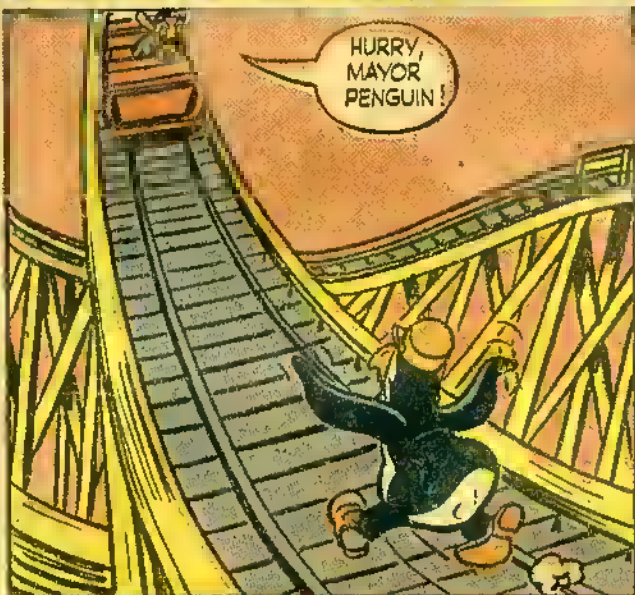
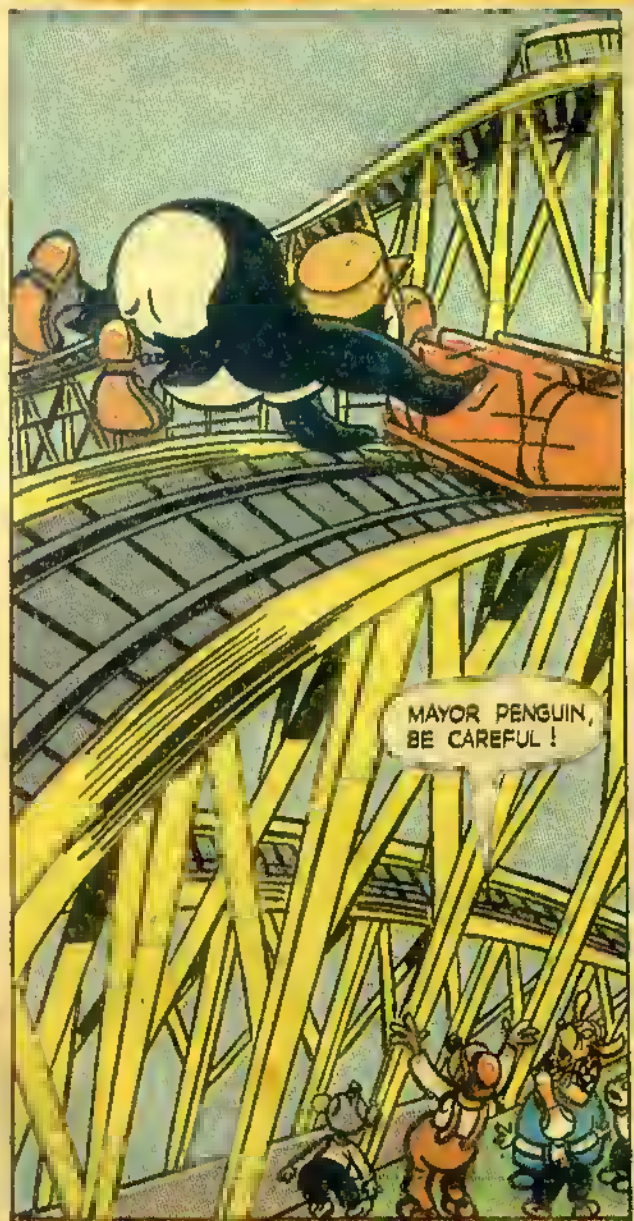
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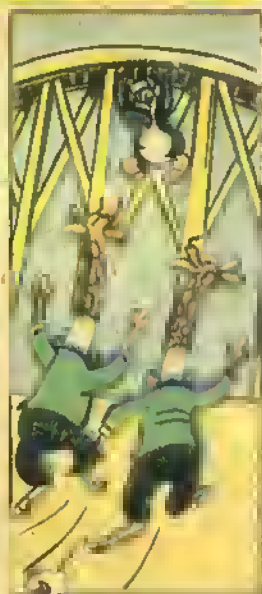
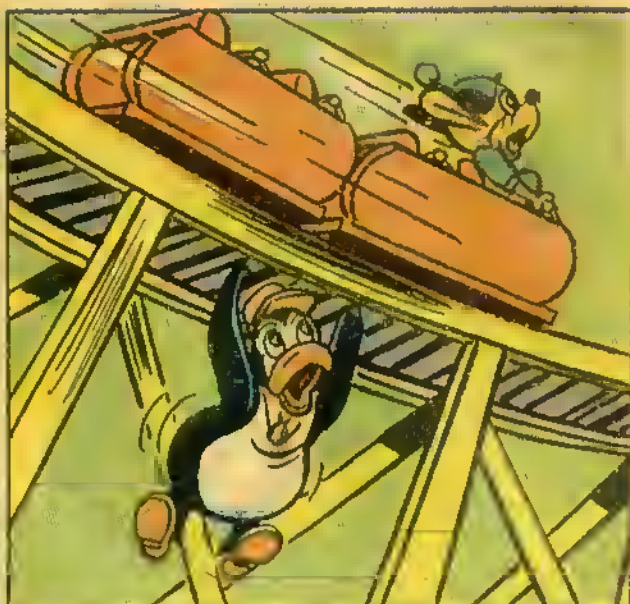
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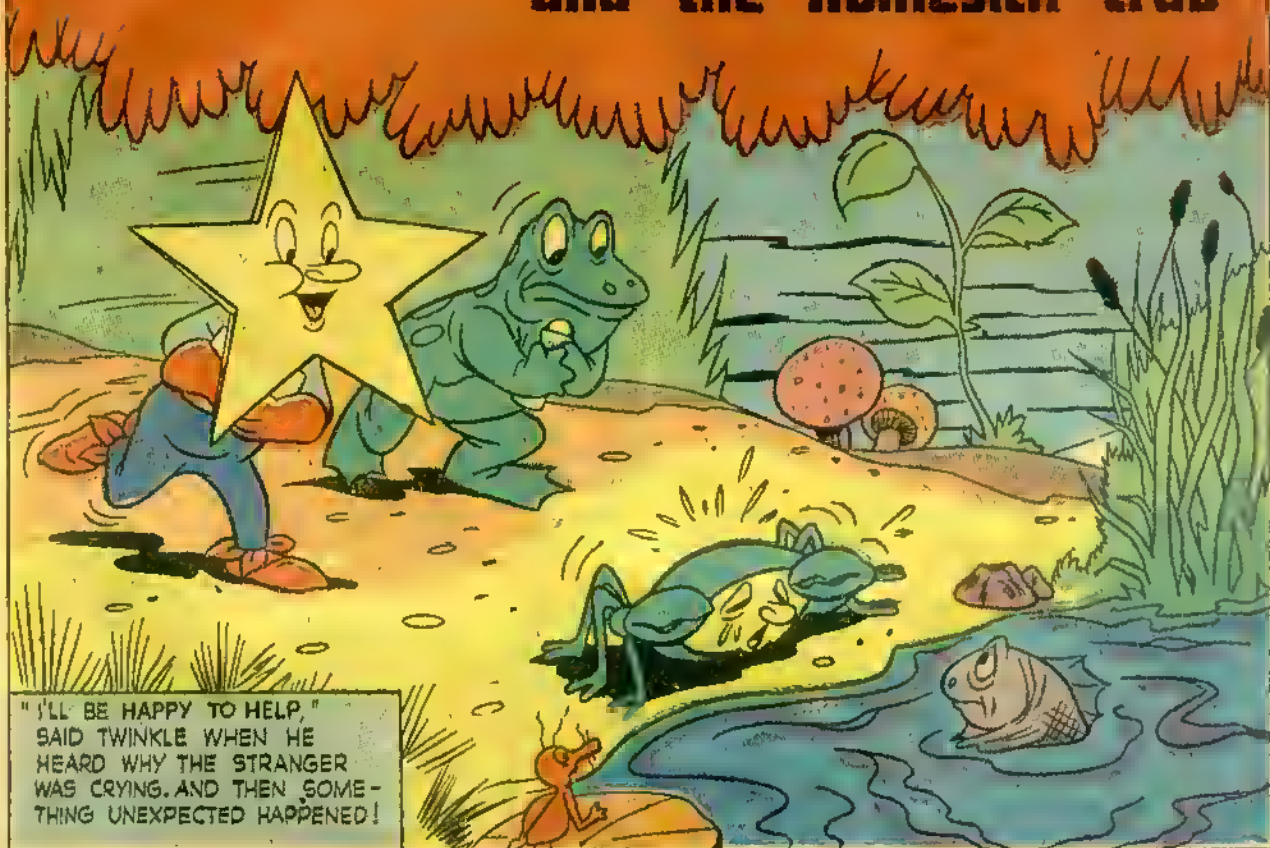




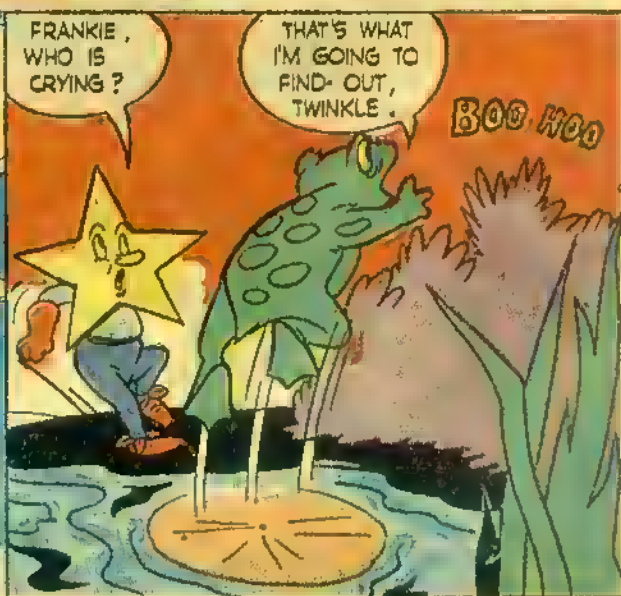
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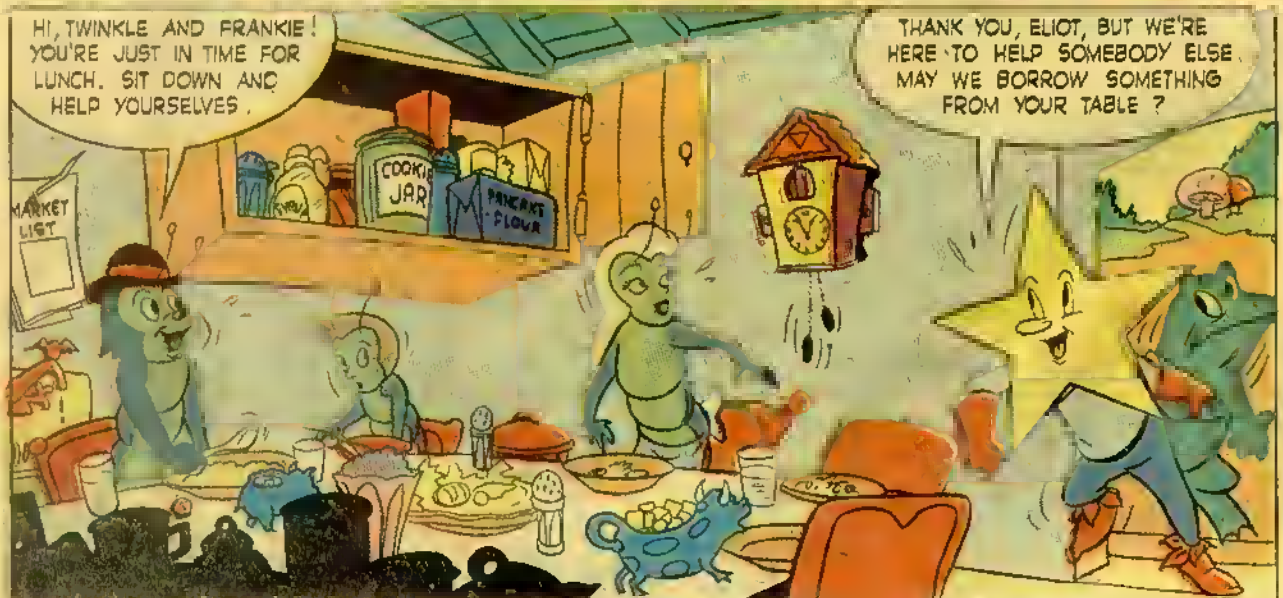
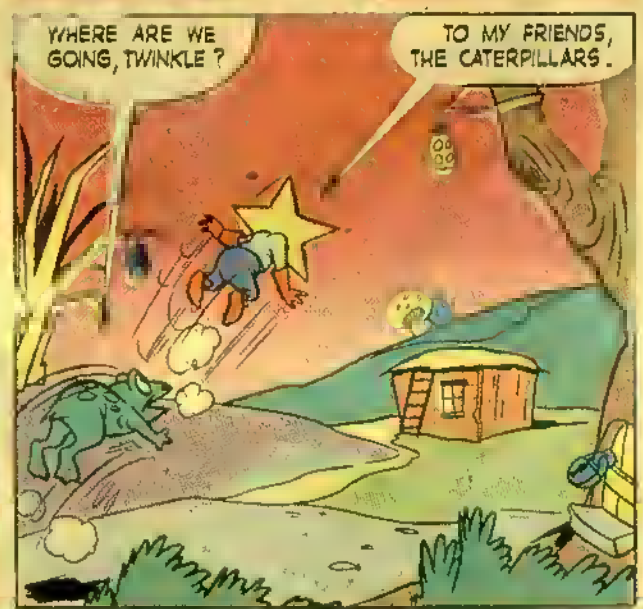
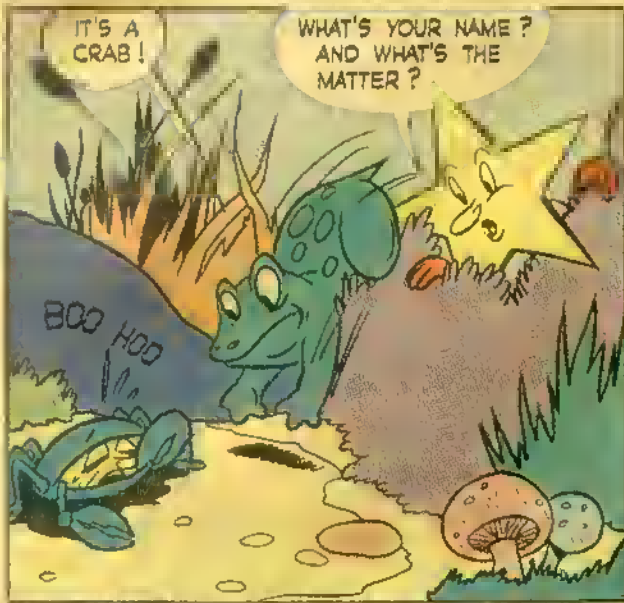
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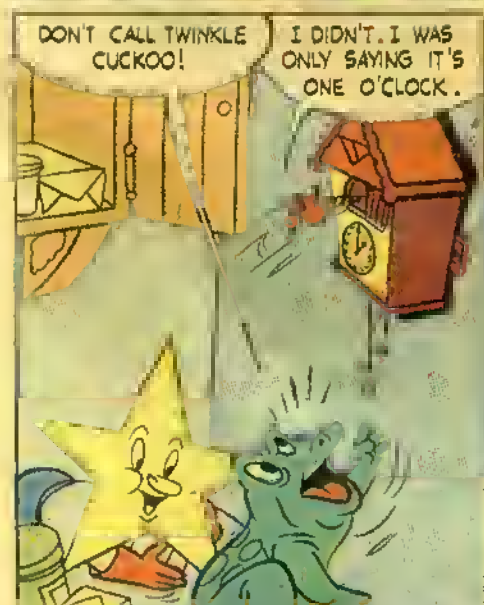
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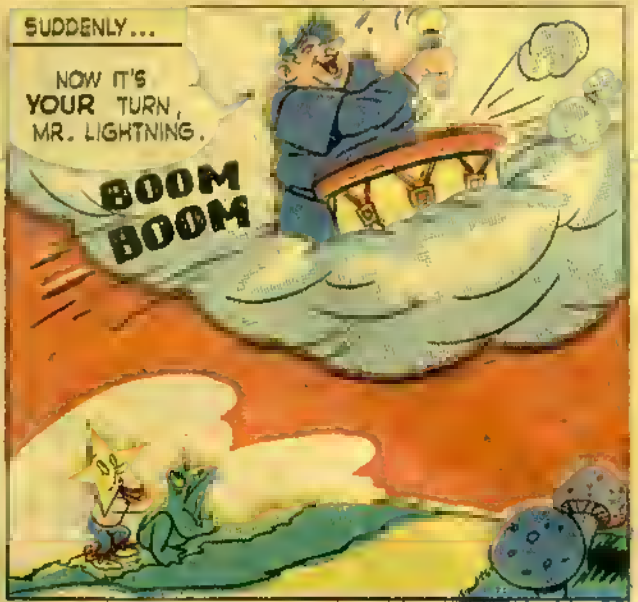
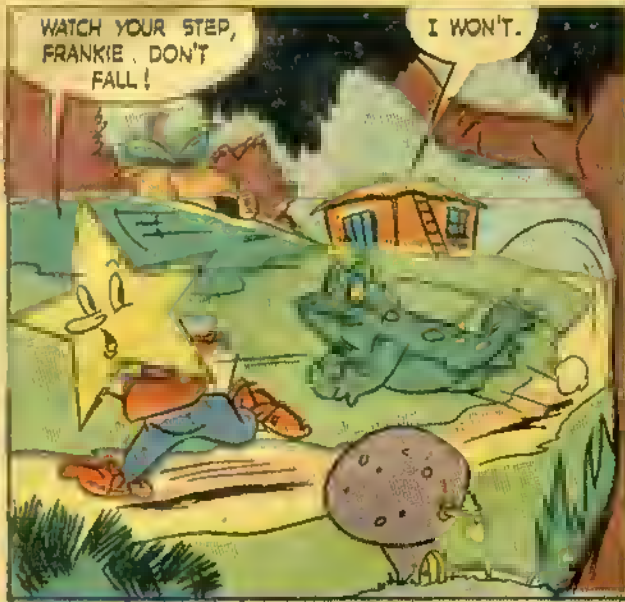


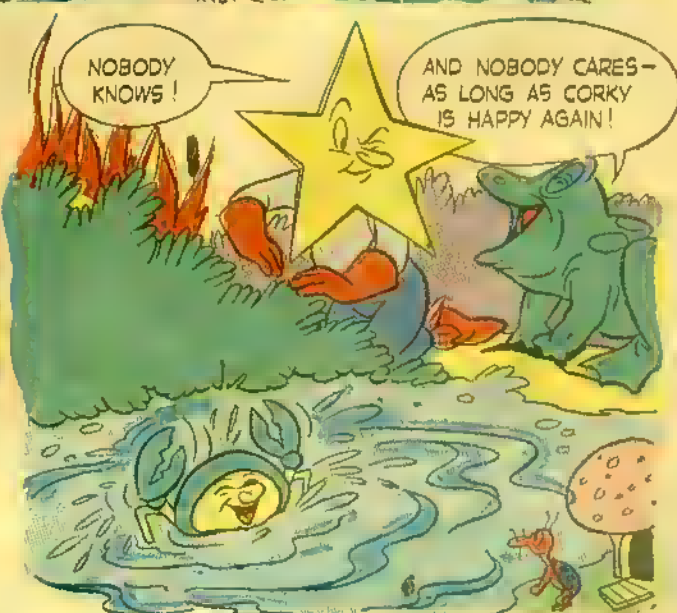
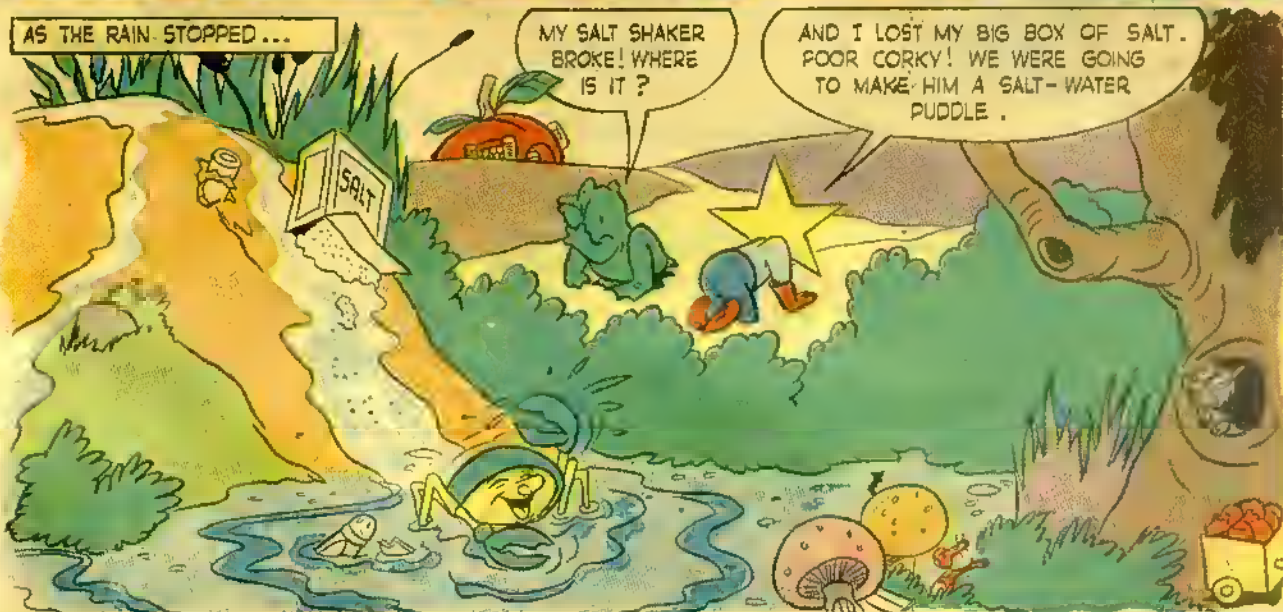
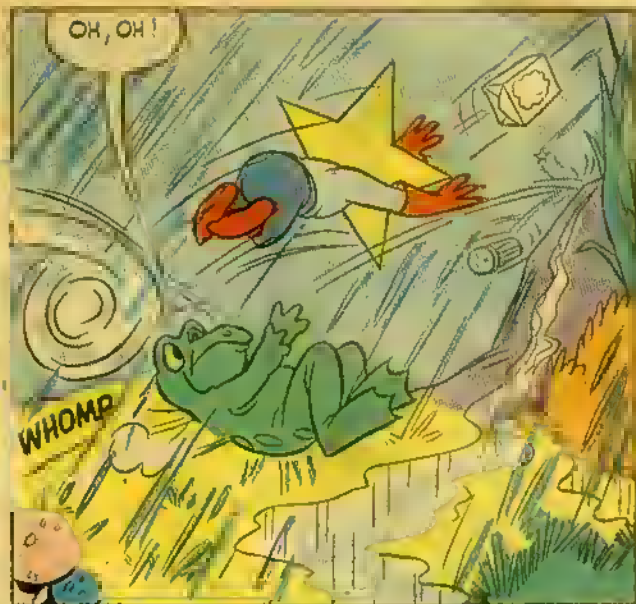
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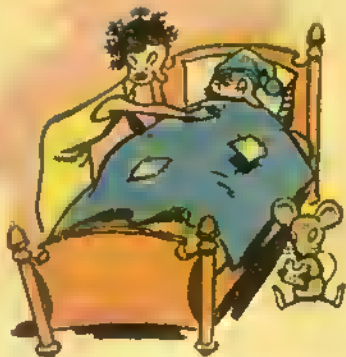








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What did the sleepy moron answer when his wife said, "Wake up! I hear a mouse squeaking"?

"I'll oil it in the morning."

Andrew Evans
Alatna, Alaska

Why can't a fish peddler be generous?

Because his business makes him sel-fish.

Joseph O'Leska
Clairton, Pa.

Who is the smallest man mentioned in the Bible?

The Roman soldier who slept on his watch.

Mary Kocher
Rockton, Ill.

What trade would you recommend for a short man?

Grocer (grow, sir).

Jeannine Kacher
Racktan, Ill.

Why is an author like the quarest animal?

Because his tale comes out of his head.

Darlene Griese
Emerada, N. D.

Why is a duke like a book?

Because they both have titles.

Marcellyn Barman
Frankfort, Ky.

Why did the little moron jump up and down after he swallowed a teaspoonful of medicine?

Because the label on the medicine bottle said, "Shake well."

Esperanze Galaz
Las Angeles, Calif.

When is a baby like a cup?

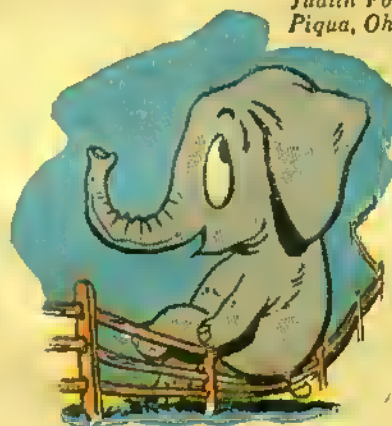
When he is a-teething (a tea-thing).

Jo An Chandler
Senath, Mo.

What has a head but no face?

A match.

Judith Fogt
Piqua, Ohio



What time is it when an elephant sits on a fence?

Time to get a new fence.

Carol Lee Mays
Madison, Kan.

Where does your fist go when you open your hand?

The same place your lap goes when you stand up.

Sandra Robinson
Flint, Mich.

What has teeth but can't bite?

A comb.

Mary Ellen Reilly
Oriskany Falls, N. Y.

Do you know the story about the three holes in the ground?

Well, well, well.

Eileen McCue
Gloucester, Mass.

Why is a straw hat like a kiss over a telephone?

Neither is felt.

Abraham Zehr
Mannsville, N. Y.

Why is an empty purse always the same?

Because there is never any change in it.

Barbara Danlin
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

How many automobiles start with T?

None. They all start with gasoline.

Patricia Bawen
Laurel, Miss.

What is the difference between a man looking up stairs and a man walking up stairs?

One stares up steps and the other steps up stairs.

Kenneth Pawers
Buckhannon, W. Va.

Did you ever see a brick walk?

No, because a brick can't walk.

Malcolm Dadd
Dime Box, Texas



Why did the little moron take vitamin pills after he was run down by a car?

He'd heard that vitamins were good for run-down people.

Joan Wickerham
Marshalltown, Iowa

RIDDLES

What did the moron reply when someone asked him, "Who was Noah's wife?"
"Joan of Ark."

Frankie Hood
Savanta, Kan.

Why did the moron take sugar to bed?

He wanted to have sweet dreams.

Clarence Jones
Bronx, N. Y.

Why did the mother scrub her little boy?

She wanted to see the son shine.

Leonard Higgins
Irvine, Ky.

What can you keep after you have given it to someone else?

A promise.

Wilma Clary
Hickory, Okla.

Why did the moron wear socks inside out?

His feet were too warm so he turned the hose on them.

Patricia Ann Norris
London Mills, Ill.

Which is easier to spell—fiddle-de-dee or fiddle-de-dum?

Fiddle-de-dee, because it is spelled with more ease (E's).

Alice Kelly
New York, N. Y.

Why didn't the baby play with its rattle?

It was a baby rattlesnake.

Sally Darly
Acme, W. Va.

Why is the letter D like a naughty child?

Because D makes Ma mad.

William Tyler
South Easton, Mass.



Where was Queen Elizabeth crowned?

On the head.

Darlene Leigh
Tucson, Ariz.

What do sailors leave behind when they go to sea?

The dock.

Dorothy Heenehan
New Rochelle, N. Y.

What was the name of the first bus to cross the Atlantic?

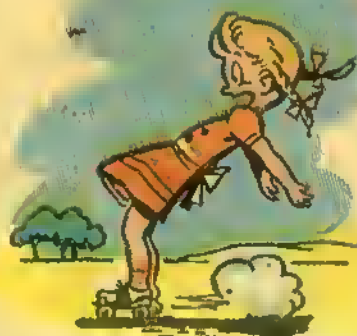
Colum-bus.

Patricia Maniaci
St. Louis, Mo.

When do you kick about a birthday present?

When it is a football.

Dawn Sequist
Lemont, Ill.



What is the hardest thing when you're learning to roller skate?

The sidewalk.

Angela Kowalski
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Can.

Who was the fastest runner in the world?

Adam, because he was the first in the human race.

Kathryn Johnson
Jane Lew, W. Va.

Why did the boy call his dog "Baseball"?

Because the dog catches flies, chases fowls, and runs for home when he sees the catcher coming.

Betsy Klein
(No address)

What book can't be read?

A pocketbook.

Yvonne Willis
Headquarters, Idaho

What did one penny say to another penny?

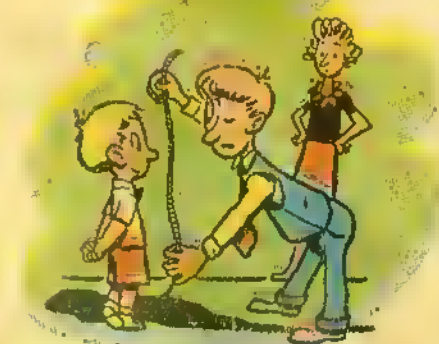
Let's get together and make some cents.

David Foustier
Newark, N. J.

When is a rose like a book?

When it is red.

Susan Grote
South Milwaukee, Wis.



Who is the tallest in the Bigger family — Mother Bigger, Father Bigger, or Junior Bigger?

Junior, because he is a little Bigger.

Marilyn Morgan
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Why did the moron take his
fishing pole to bed?
So he could catch some sleep.
*Janet Vermillion
Kenton, Ohio*

What did the colt say to the
barn?
Is my fodder in there?
*Harold Booher
Gifford, Ill.*

What wears out shoes but
doesn't wear shoes?
A football.
*Wallace Whynote
Bennington, N. H.*

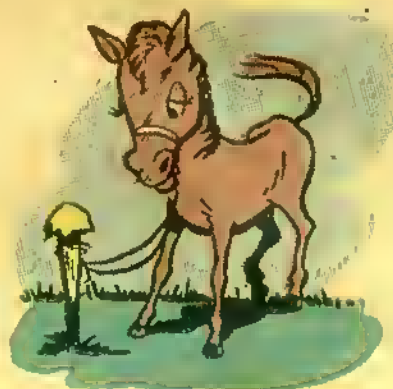
If shoes are made of calf skin,
what kind of skin is used to make
slippers?
Banana skin.
*Paula Brown
Corpus Christi, Tex.*



Why did the moron sleep on
top of the lamp?
He was a light sleeper.
*Barbara Schlig
Bronx, N. Y.*

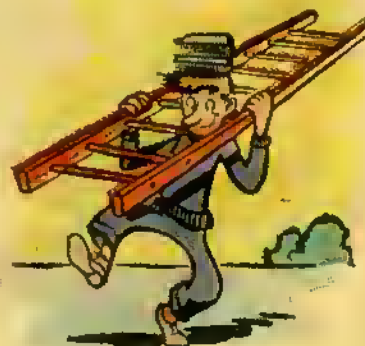
What do you throw out when
you need it, and take in when
you don't?
An anchor.
*Stephen Acker
Sparta, N. J.*

When is a bear not a bear?
When he's a lyin' (lion) on the
ground.
*Mary Ullmann
Lake Bluff, Ill.*



If your horse is too slow, why
should you tie him to a post?
To make him fast.
*Susan Richie
Scarsdale, N. Y.*

Why did the moron throw his
shoes away?
Because they both stuck their
tongues out at him.
*Ruth Morris
Gibbons, Alberta, Can.*



Why did the moron bring a
ladder to school with him?
It was a High School.
*Wendell McKinney
Modewaska, Me.*

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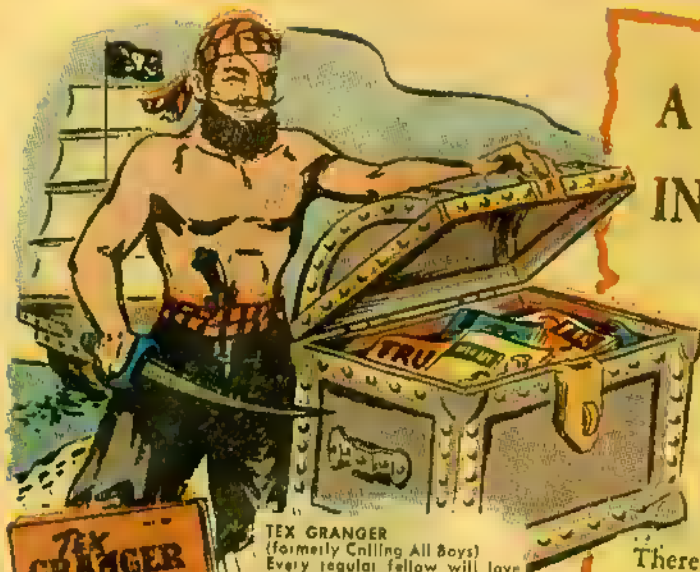
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What did the colt say when he
cleared his throat?
"Excuse me, I'm just a little
hoarse."
*Nancy Lewis
Utica, Neb.*

Why did the moron try to put
his head in the pencil sharp-
ener?
Because he wanted to have a
sharp mind.
*Dale Smith
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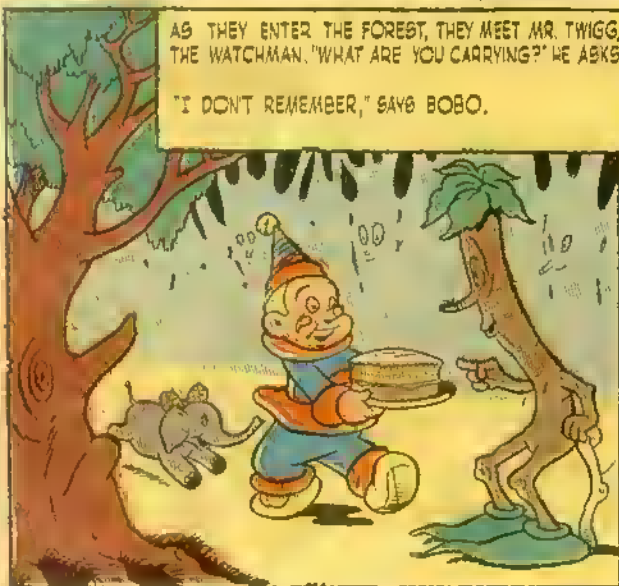
BOBO, THE CLOWN WHO LIVES IN BLUNDERLAND, IS CARRYING HOME A BIRTHDAY CAKE FOR ONE OF HIS FRIENDS. YES, IT'S TEENY ELEPHANT'S BIRTHDAY. THAT'S TEENY FOLLOWING BOBO AS THEY START FOR HOME THROUGH THE FOREST OF FORGETTING.

AS THEY ENTER THE FOREST, THEY MEET MR. TWIGG, THE WATCHMAN. "WHAT ARE YOU CARRYING?" HE ASKS.

"I DON'T REMEMBER," SAYS BOBO.

"HMMM," HUMMS MR. TWIGG. "IT SAYS HAPPY BIRTHDAY. WHY?"

"I FORGOT," REPLIES BOBO.

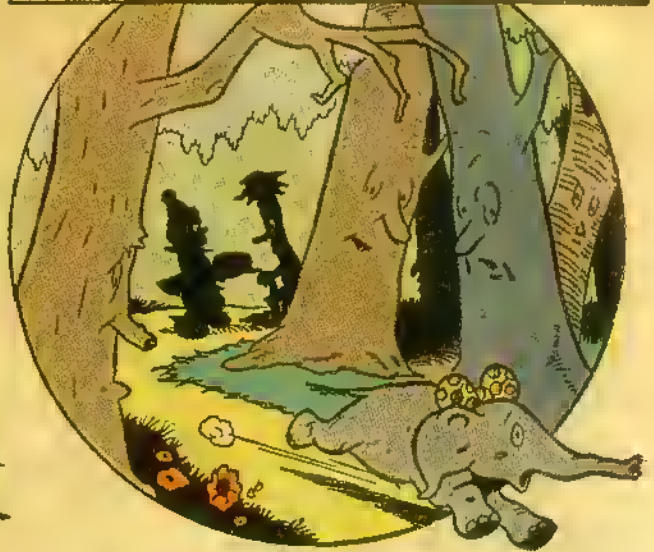




BUT TEENY HASN'T FORGOTTEN BECAUSE ELEPHANTS NEVER FORGET, SO HE TUGS AT BOBO TO REMIND HIM.

"MY GOODNESS," SAYS BOBO, "WHO ARE YOU? IN FACT, WHO AM I?"

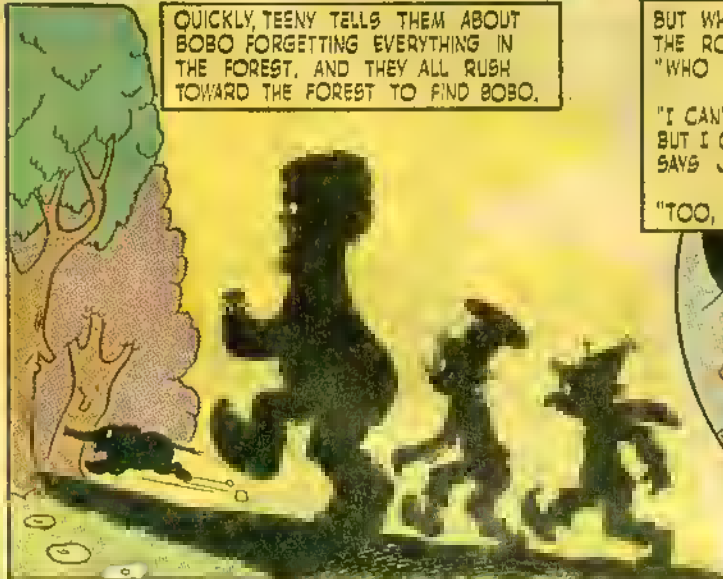
POOR TEENY IS FRIGHTENED, OFF HE RUSHES THROUGH THE FOREST TO GET HELP.



HE RUNS TO BOBO'S HOUSE WHERE GUESTS ARE WAITING FOR THE BIRTHDAY PARTY. SITTING IN THE GARDEN ARE MR. MIXUP WHO GETS EVERYTHING MIXED UP, AND JOHNNY SMARTY WHO THINKS HE'S SMART, AND THE ROSE GIANT. "LOOK," SHOUTS THE ROSE GIANT, "HERE COMES THE BIRTHDAY BOY. BUT WHERE'S BOBO?"



QUICKLY, TEENY TELLS THEM ABOUT BOBO FORGETTING EVERYTHING IN THE FOREST, AND THEY ALL RUSH TOWARD THE FOREST TO FIND BOBO.



BUT WHEN THEY REACH BOBO, THE ROSE GIANT ASKS, "WHO IS HE?"

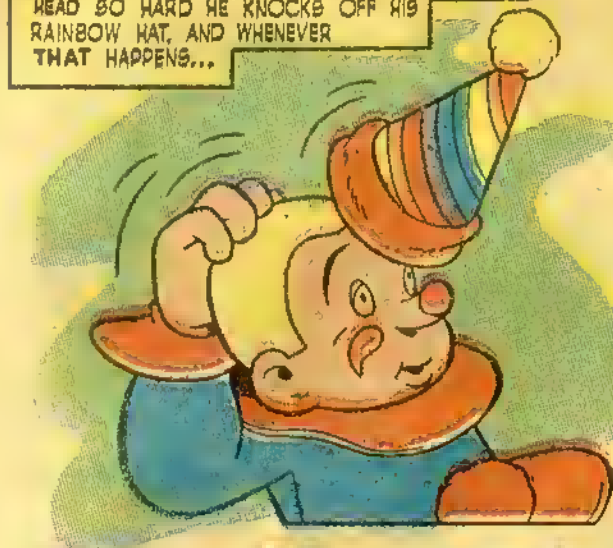
"I CAN'T REMEMBER HIS FACE, BUT I ONLY FORGET HIS NAME," SAYS JOHNNY SMARTY.

"TOO, ME," SAYS MR. MIXUP.



BOBO TRIES TO REMEMBER WHO HE IS. HE RUBS HIS HEAD WHILE HE THINKS. HE RUBS HIS HEAD SO HARD HE KNOCKS OFF HIS RAINBOW HAT, AND WHENEVER THAT HAPPENS...

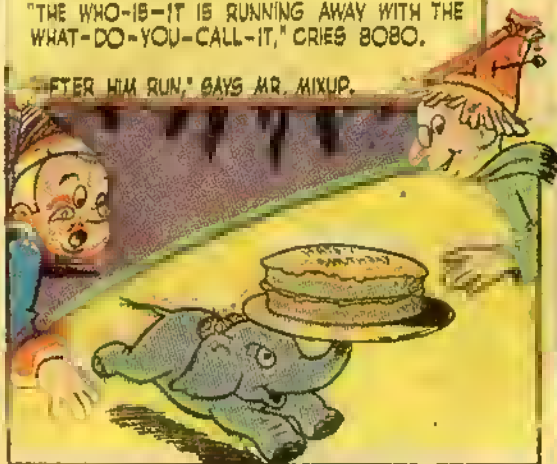
...BOBO CAN'T SEE COLORS! THAT'S WHY THERE ARE NO COLORS IN THIS PICTURE. MAYBE, IF YOU GET YOUR CRAYONS, YOU CAN COLOR THE PICTURE BEFORE BOBO PUTS ON HIS HAT AGAIN.



SUDDENLY TEENY GETS AN IDEA! HE PICKS UP THE BIRTHDAY CAKE AND CARRIES IT OFF ON HIS TRUNK.

"THE WHO-IS-IT IS RUNNING AWAY WITH THE WHAT-DO-YOU-CALL-IT," CRIES BOBO.

"AFTER HIM RUN," SAYS MR. MIXUP.



AS SOON AS THEY LEAVE THE FOREST OF FORGETTING, THEY REMEMBER EVERYTHING. "HAPPY BIRTHDAY, TEENY," CALLS BOBO.

"HAPPY BIRTHDAY," SHOUT THE ROSE GIANT AND MR. MIXUP AND JOHNNY SMARTY.

AND INDEED, TEENY DOES HAVE A HAPPY BIRTHDAY.





THE SCARECROW'S JOKE

By CLADYS MARTIN

The poor scarecrow grew more and more unhappy standing in the berry patch. Then, all of a sudden, he felt something heavy in his empty pocket. After that, he was no longer unhappy

"O H, dear," Mr. Scarecrow sighed to himself, "why do I always have to wear somebody's cast-off clothes? If Farmer John would only dress me in a cowboy suit, I wouldn't mind standing here alone in the strawberry patch."

His faded old overalls were ragged around the bottom and they were much too short. They flapped about his thin legs when the wind swept down from the hills. His coat had lost all of its buttons except one, and his hat was battered and worn. His straw-colored hair showed through a hole in the crown.

"Well, anyway," Mr. Scarecrow thought, "this coat is better than the one I wore last year. It has nice, big pockets without holes."

He was happy thinking about the pockets without holes until he remembered that he had nothing to put in them. "Of course, I don't need pockets," he said sadly. "I never have any money or handkerchiefs or pieces of string. I don't have anything, and I don't do anything. I just stand here and frighten birds away from the strawberries."

Mr. Scarecrow felt more and more sorry for himself. His arms hung limply

at his sides. But soon he cheered up when a little boy ran into the berry patch. "Here comes Tommy to pick strawberries. I hope he doesn't drop too many on the ground."

Mr. Scarecrow grew quite excited. His arms waved wildly in the wind. "Be careful, Tommy! You are wasting berries!" he cried as loudly as he could. "It's no use. I can't scare Tommy. No matter how hard I try, he only laughs and goes right on eating some of the berries he picks and dropping the rest on the ground. He's so careless!"

Then, as Tommy left the berry patch, Mr. Scarecrow had an idea. "Maybe he drops berries on purpose. When Farmer John put me out here, I heard Tommy tell him that the birds ate bugs and worms and only a few berries. But Farmer John said they ate more berries than bugs, and he wanted me to chase them away."

Mr. Scarecrow was sorry for the birds. He knew they liked berries, but his job was to scare them away. So, when the wind blew, the birds seldom came near the berry patch because then Mr. Scarecrow waved his arms wildly and tried hard to do what Farmer John wanted him to do.

Sometimes, when the wind forgot to come down from the hills, little gray sparrows and fat red-breasted robins pecked away at the bugs or kicked up the dirt to uncover fat worms. Now and then, they took a bite from a ripe, juicy berry and looked saucily up at Mr. Scarecrow as if to say, "Well, what are you going to do about it?"

One day, when the wind wasn't blowing, he woke up from a nap and felt something strange in one of his pockets. He bent down to look. And what a happy surprise he found!

Every day after that he kept looking in the pocket. The surprise was still there. But soon Mr. Scarecrow began to worry. What would happen if Farmer John or Tommy discovered the surprise?

As the days passed and nobody discovered his secret, he felt better and almost forgot to worry. Then one morning his pocket felt different. He looked inside.

"What a joke!" he chuckled. But suddenly he stopped laughing. "Oh, oh! Here comes Tommy's big gray cat!"

Mr. Scarecrow frantically waved his arms in the wind and tried to scare the cat away. But he came close, rubbed against Mr. Scarecrow's leg, and looked up inquiringly. Mr. Scarecrow glared at the cat. Finally, the cat turned away and walked slowly toward the house.

"Whew! That was a scare," Mr. Scarecrow said to himself.

He had hardly recovered from his fright when Tommy came running from the house. Just then a sparrow flew past Tommy and lit on Mr. Scarecrow's shoulder. She fluttered and chattered in great excitement.

Then the awful thing happened that Mr. Scarecrow had been dreading! Tommy walked over to him, looked into his pocket, jumped up and down in great excitement, and ran off to the barn. He came back in a minute with Farmer John.

"Oh, oh!" Mr. Scarecrow thought sadly as he watched the sparrow fly away.

Tommy showed his father what was in the pocket of the old coat. A broad smile appeared on Farmer John's face.

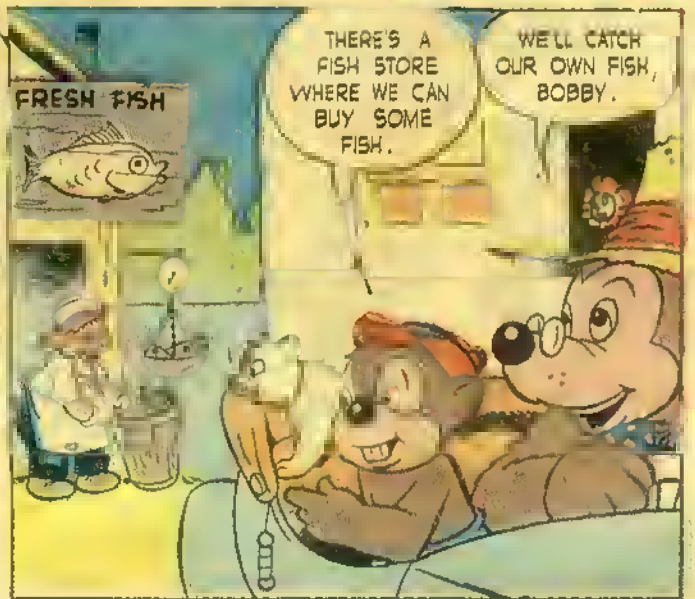
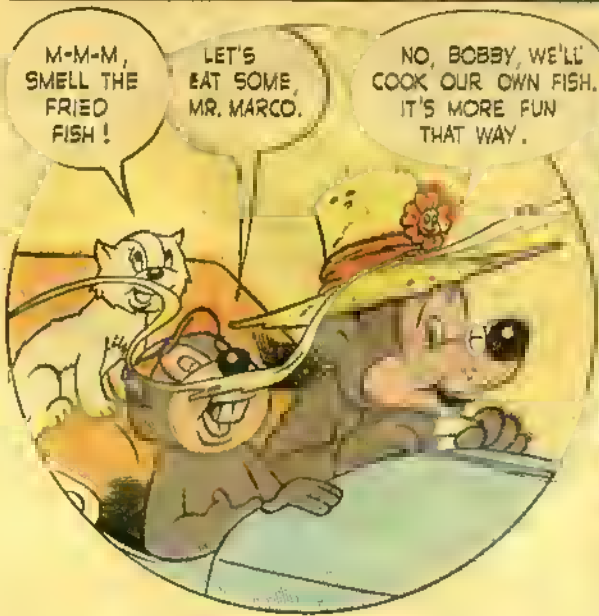
"Ha, ha!" Farmer John laughed. "That's a good joke on me! I gave you the job of scaring birds and you let them build a nest in your pocket!"

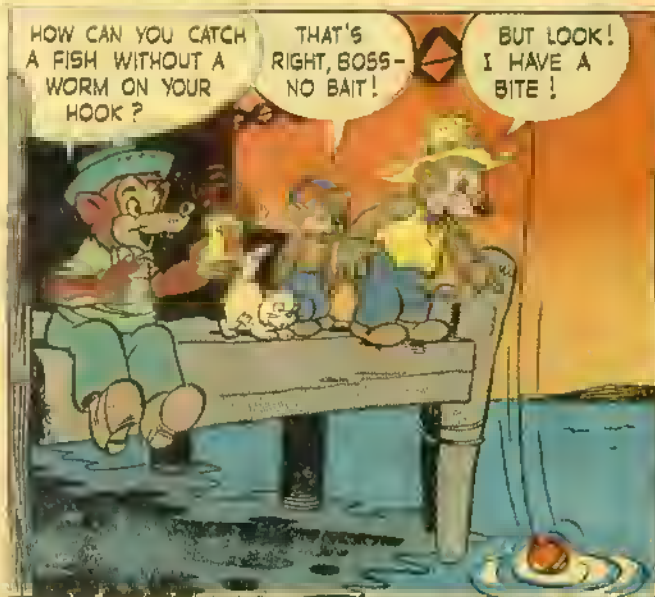
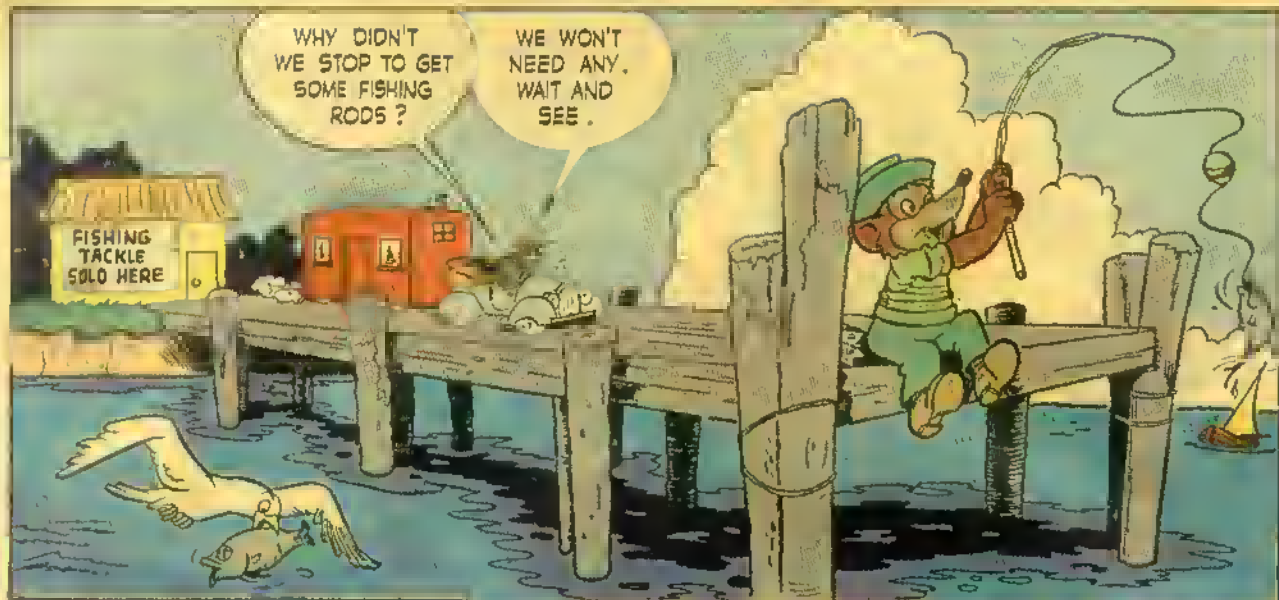
Then he said to Tommy, "I guess you're right, son. A scarecrow isn't much good at keeping birds away."

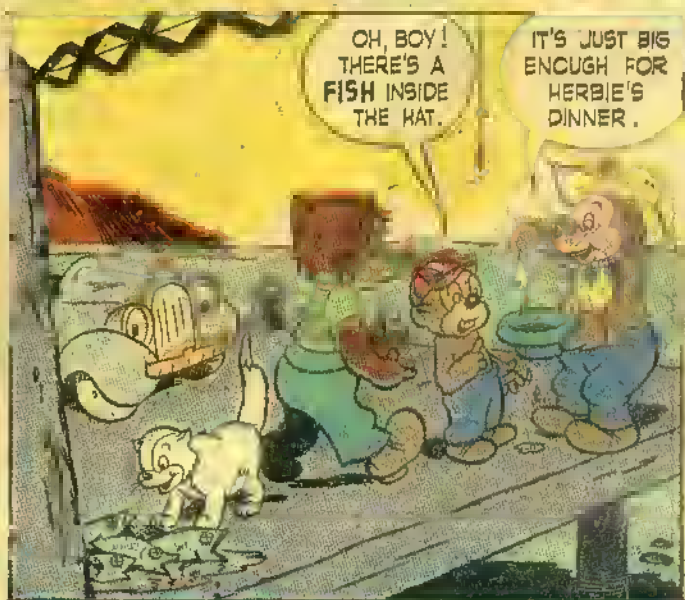
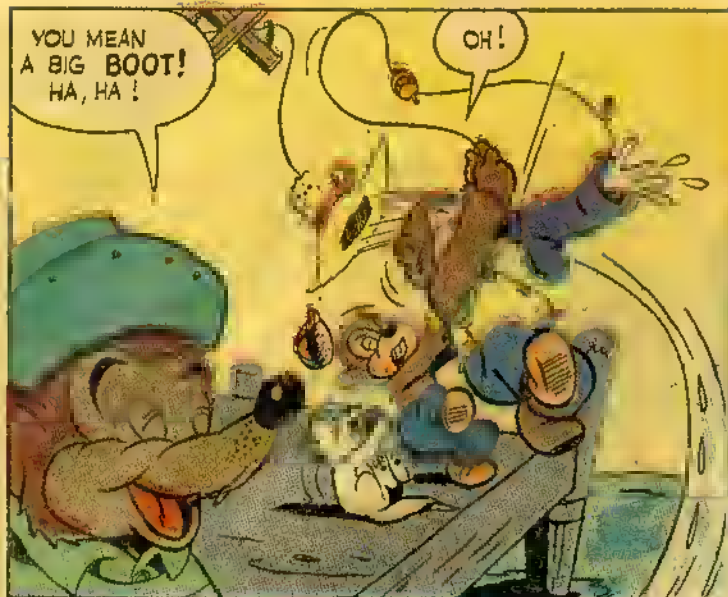
After Tommy and Farmer John returned to the barn, the mother sparrow came hurrying back. Mr. Scarecrow watched her drop fat worms into the mouths of the hungry baby birds in his pocket. "At last," he said happily, "I have something in my pocket."

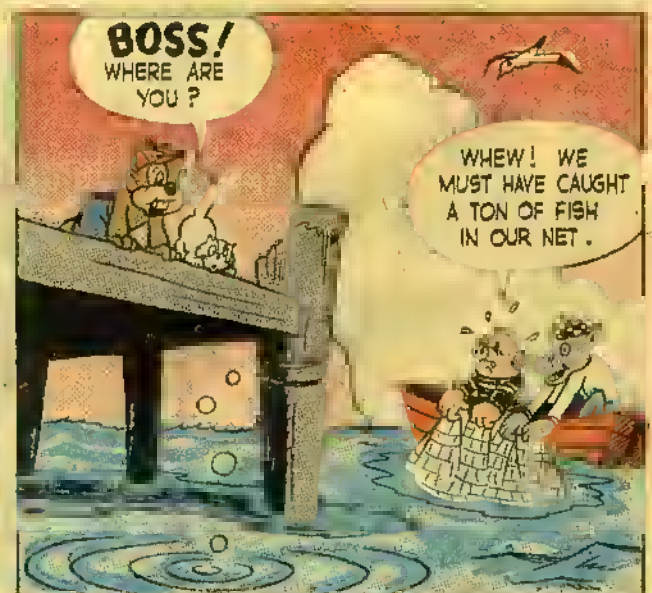
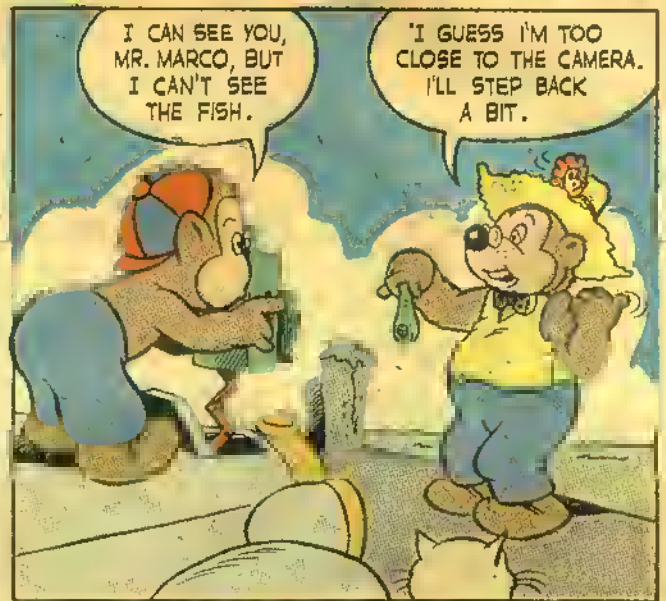
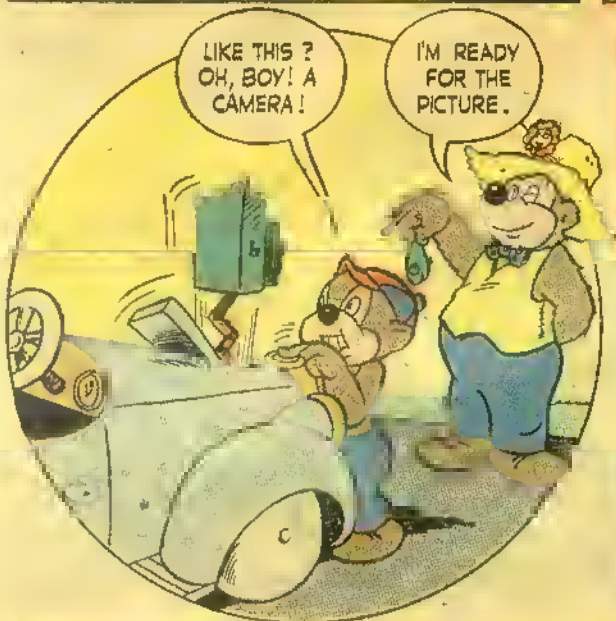
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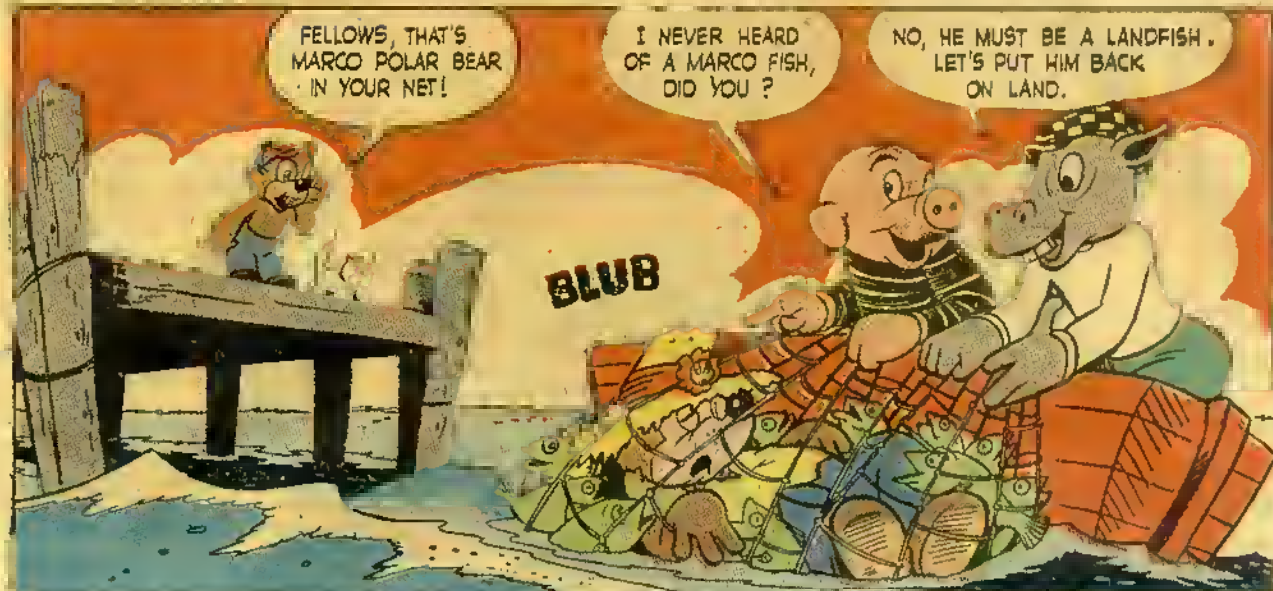
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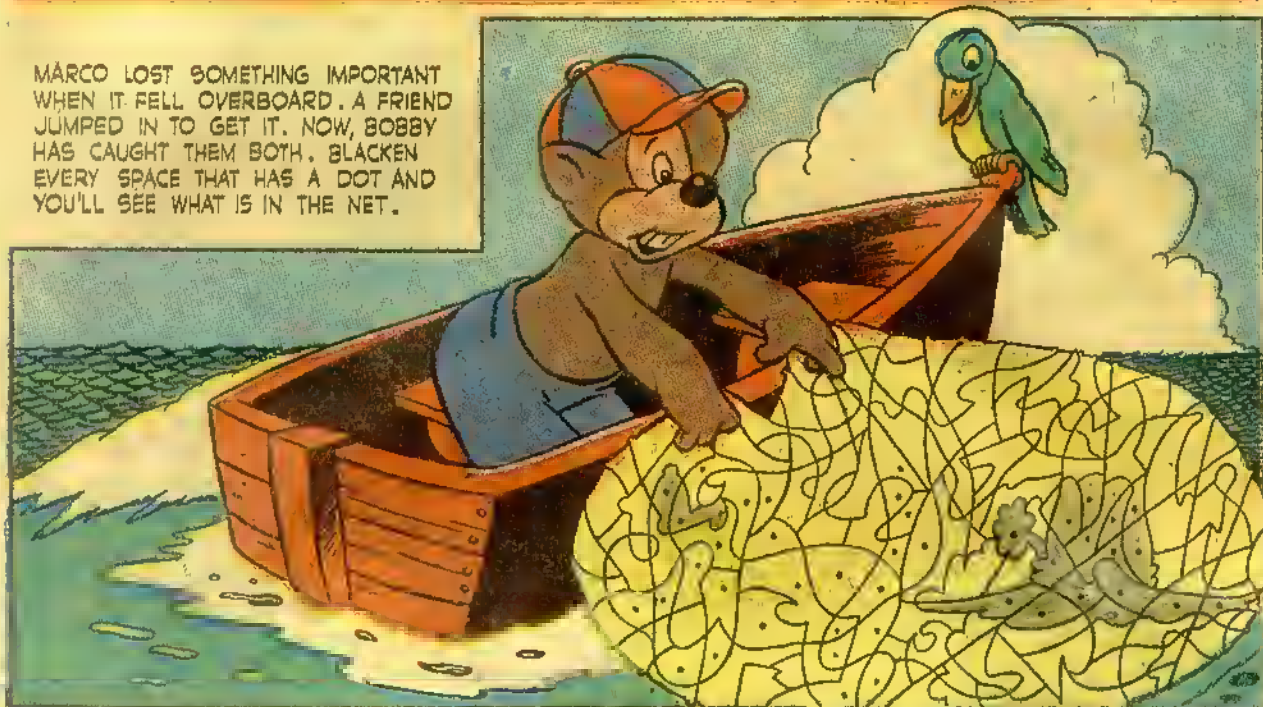






MARCO'S PUZZLE PAGE

MARCO LOST SOMETHING IMPORTANT WHEN IT FELL OVERBOARD. A FRIEND JUMPED IN TO GET IT. NOW, BOBBY HAS CAUGHT THEM BOTH. BLACKEN EVERY SPACE THAT HAS A DOT AND YOU'LL SEE WHAT IS IN THE NET.



BOBBY CAN'T FIND MARCO POLAR BEAR IN THE PICTURE HE TOOK. BUT HE DOES SEE FOUR HIDDEN FISH. DO YOU ?



IF YOU LOOK AT THIS FUNNY BIRD UPSIDE DOWN, YOU'LL BE AS SURPRISED AS HERBIE.

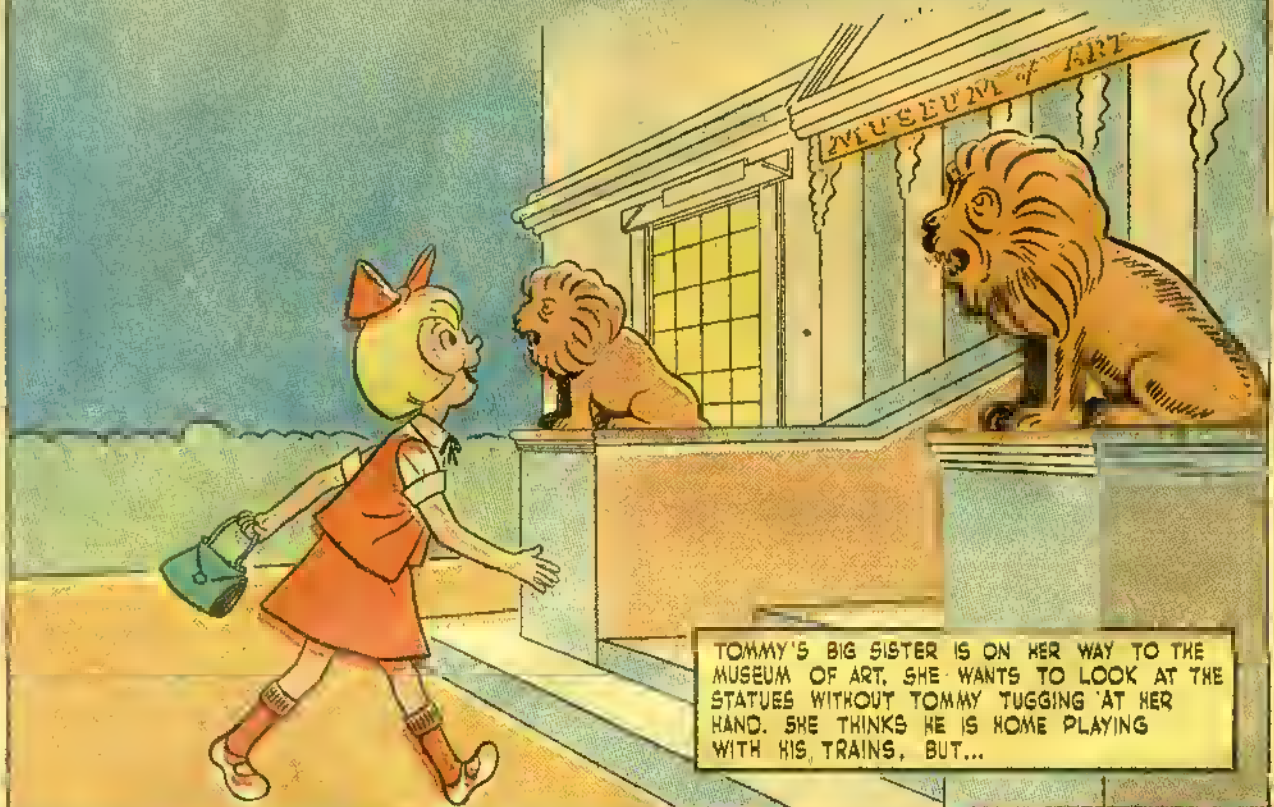


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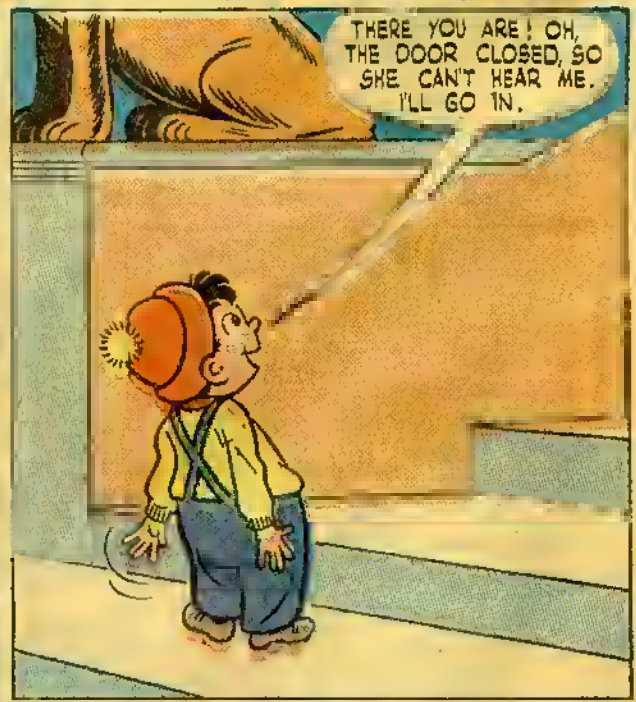
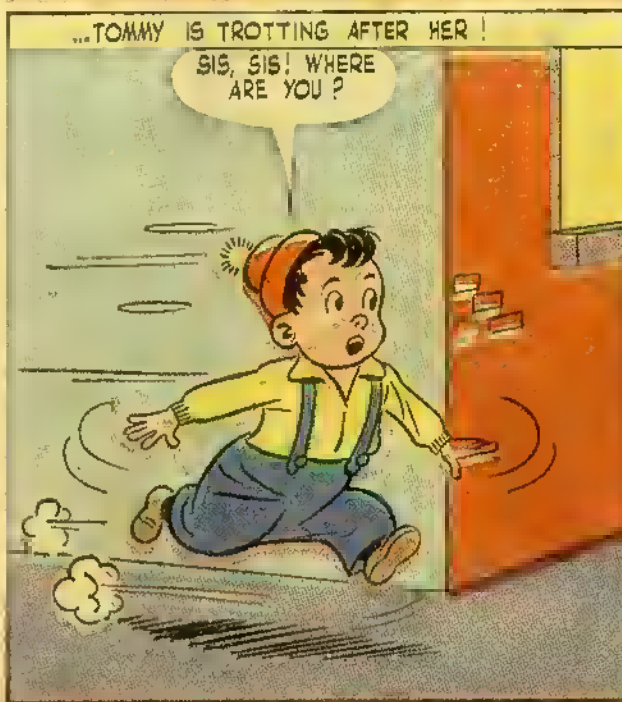


DRAG-ALONG

FINDS HIS SISTER



TOMMY'S BIG SISTER IS ON HER WAY TO THE MUSEUM OF ART. SHE WANTS TO LOOK AT THE STATUES WITHOUT TOMMY TUGGING AT HER HAND. SHE THINKS HE IS HOME PLAYING WITH HIS TRAINS, BUT...



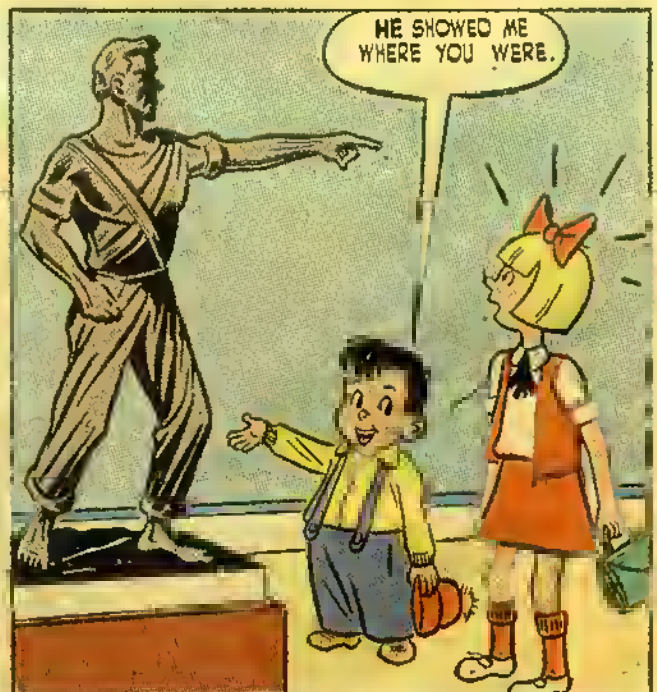
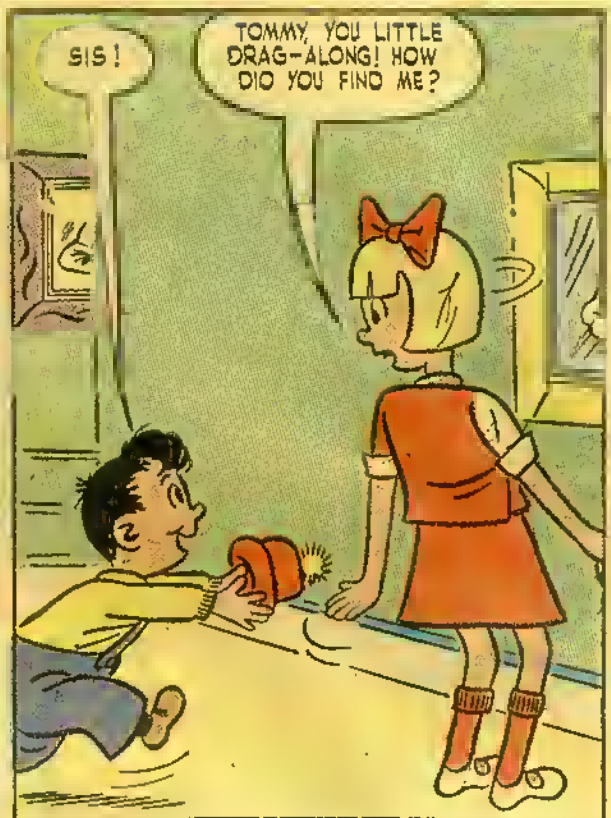


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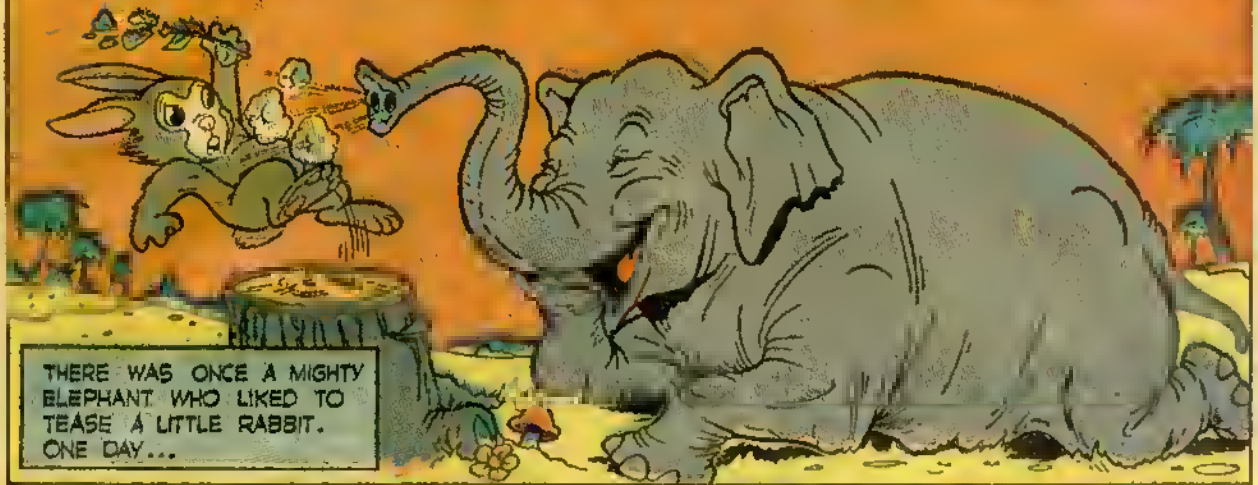
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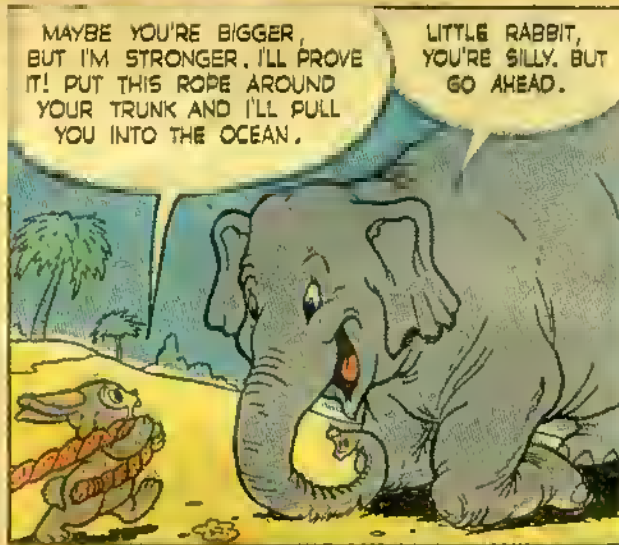
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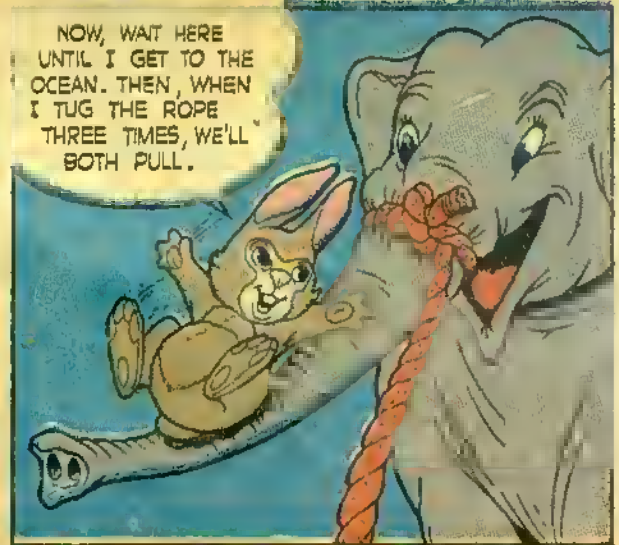


THERE WAS ONCE A MIGHTY ELEPHANT WHO LIKED TO TEASE A LITTLE RABBIT. ONE DAY...



MAYBE YOU'RE BIGGER, BUT I'M STRONGER. I'LL PROVE IT! PUT THIS ROPE AROUND YOUR TRUNK AND I'LL PULL YOU INTO THE OCEAN.

LITTLE RABBIT, YOU'RE SILLY. BUT GO AHEAD.

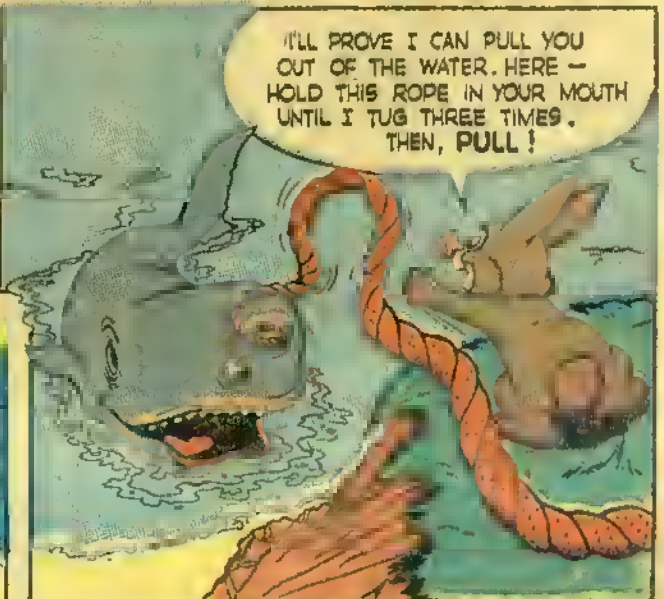


NOW, WAIT HERE UNTIL I GET TO THE OCEAN. THEN, WHEN I TUG THE ROPE THREE TIMES, WE'LL BOTH PULL.

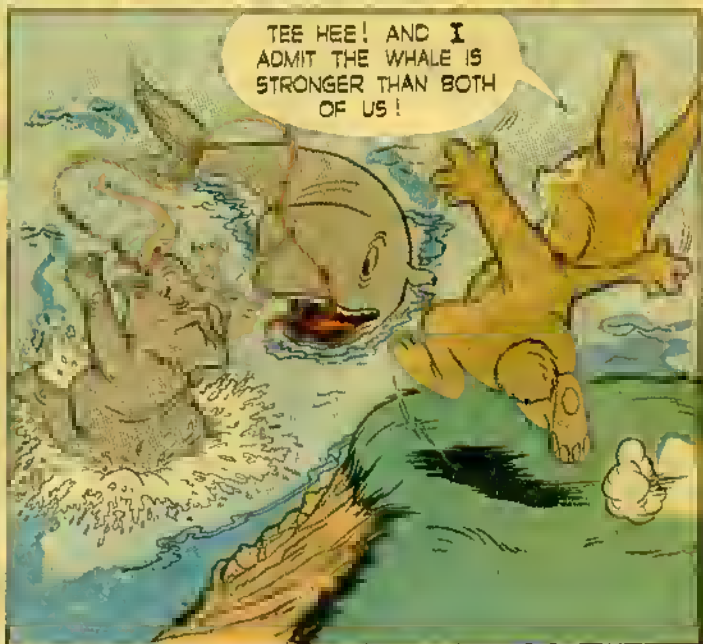
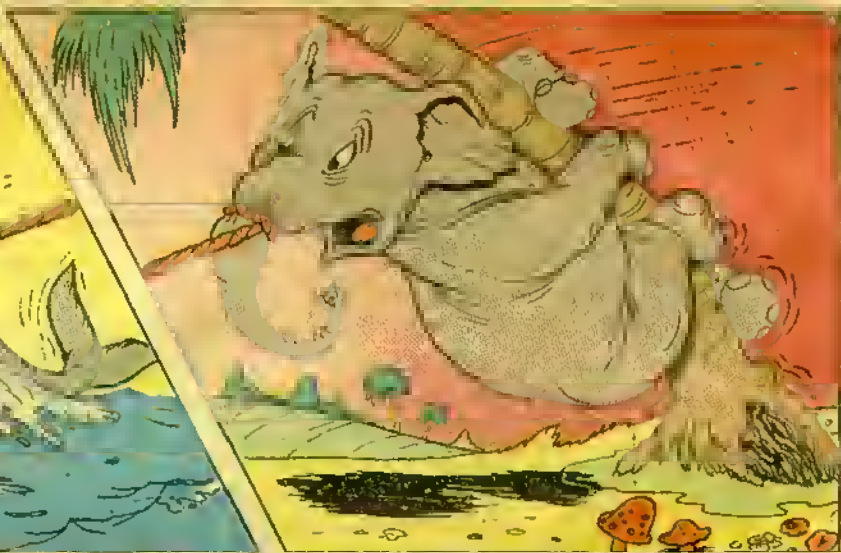
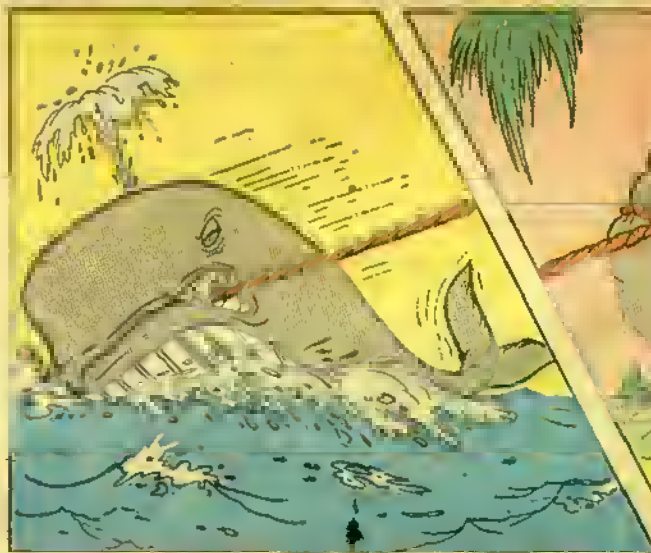
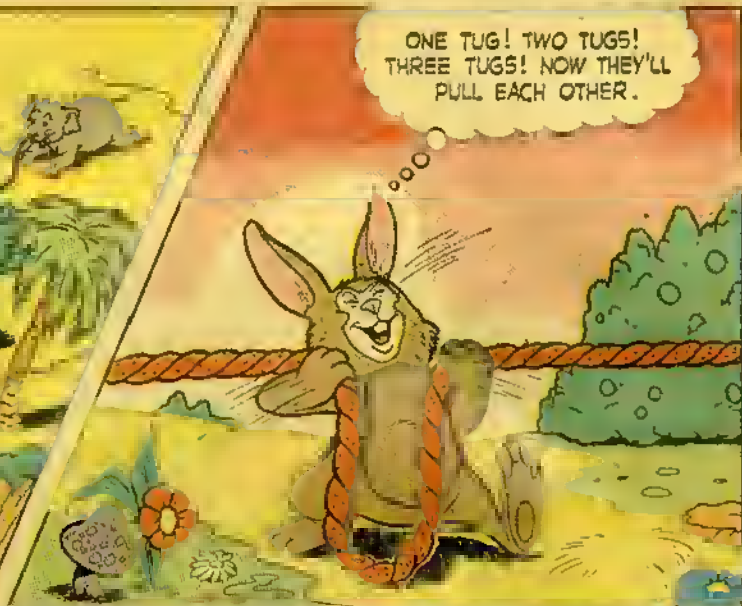


WHERE'S THAT WEAK WHALE - THE ONE I CAN PULL OUT OF THE OCEAN?

LITTLE RABBIT, YOU'RE WRONG.



I'LL PROVE I CAN PULL YOU OUT OF THE WATER. HERE - HOLD THIS ROPE IN YOUR MOUTH UNTIL I TUG THREE TIMES. THEN, PULL!



WHAT'S WRONG ?



THE ARTIST DREW ELEVEN THINGS THAT YOU'D NEVER SEE AT THE BEACH. CAN YOU FIND THEM BEFORE YOU READ WHAT'S PRINTED UPSIDE DOWN ?

FLYING TURTLE
HIGH HAT ON SWIMMER
CRAB WITH WINGS

FLOATING BEACH UMBRELLA
FOUR-FOOTED DUCK
AIRPLANE WITH SAILS
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